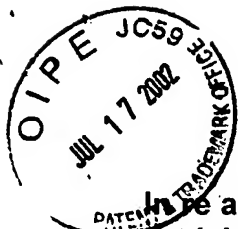


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Transmitted herewith is:

☒ An amendment C in the above-identified application.☒ Claiming Small Entity Status:

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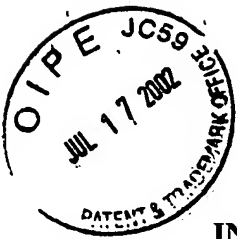
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate – Other Than A Small Entity	Rate – Small Entity	Additional Fee
Total Claims	81 -	61 =	20	\$18.00	\$9.00	\$180
Indep. Claims	14 -	10 =	4	\$84.00	\$42.00	\$168
Total Additional Fee:						\$348.00

☒ A check in the amount of \$348.00 is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account 162201. *Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.*


  
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Please add the following claim 231-250 before examination of this application.

CLAIMS

231. A method for capturing a flying object, comprising the steps of:

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- a) suspending one or more linear or curvilinear fixture(s) across the flight path of the object in a generally vertical orientation, or otherwise in an orientation which includes a component normal to the flight path;
  - b) guiding the object to strike one or more of the fixture(s);
  - c) allowing the subsequent motion of the object to slide the fixture(s) along a wing or spanwise lifting surface of the flying object;
  - d) intercepting the sliding of the fixture(s) by one or more hooks attached to a wing or spanwise lifting surface of the flying object;

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